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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: John F. Blake
Acting Deputy Director of
Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Relationships with Agency Contractors

1.. An IG report of 2 May 1977 on the [redacted] case contained information that the Agency's comments had been sought and provided on certain private transactions of an Agency contractor. As a result of this report, Hank Knoche asked [redacted] to assemble a task force to recommend a policy concerning requests by Agency contractors for our comment on such transactions.

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2.. The task force's report is attached. It provides additional background on the issues the task force examined and contains recommendations concerning both requests for our comment by Agency contractors and the need for safeguards in the administration of quick reaction contracts. After review of the report and recommendations I have decided that:

a. all requests by Agency or other contractors for our comment on non-Agency, non-U.S. Government transactions should be referred to the Offices of Logistics and General Counsel for a joint response; and,

b. we should require that all contracting officer technical representatives (COTR's) notify their contracting officers and immediate supervisors promptly following any verbal request to a contractor by the COTR for initiation of work or performance under a quick reaction contract. The notification by the COTR should be in writing.

3. Please prepare an appropriate issuance for my signature which will provide notification of this policy and require that it be incorporated in Agency regulations.

John F. Blake

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16 August 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence
FROM: Michael J. Malanick
Acting Deputy Director for Administration
SUBJECT: Relationships with Agency Contractors
REFERENCE: Memo for ADCI from ADDA, dated 11 August
1977, Same Subject

In answer to your questions:

1. "But that may have been what caused the problem."

Answer: We don't believe so. Logistics would find itself in a position where it would still have to go back to the appropriate technical component for their advice and, while Logistics is perfectly willing to interface with the contractor, as is OGC, the ultimate responsibility for the appropriate response lies within the operating component and the contractor, himself.

2. "Have you checked this procedure out with the Directorates?"

Answer: No, we have not done so as yet, but would do so before we went ahead and implemented our proposal. They may balk at such an arrangement because they might consider it a hindrance to them in their quick reaction capability; but, inasmuch as the contracting officers are part of the team, this should not prove to be a real obstacle. You should note that this was the initial proposal to come out of the DDCI's office.

[Redacted Signature]

Michael J. Malanick

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